

**STATEMENT OF WORK**  
**Vegetative Barrier (601)**  
**Minnesota**

**These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.**

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**DESIGN****Deliverables:**

1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices
  - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan.
  - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
  - c. List of facilitating practices (e.g. Residue Management, Mulch Till, Residue Management, No Till/Strip Till, Contour Farming)
  - d. Practice standard criteria-related inventories and analyses to develop design and specifications including but not limited to:
    - i. Adapted species
    - ii. Physical Characteristics of selected plants
    - iii. Number of rows and species within designed rows
    - iv. Establishment (Planting method, timing and seeding rate), vegetation spacing (within and between rows) and alignment
    - v. Width of crop strip
    - vi. Additional requirements for reducing sheet and rill erosion, reducing gully erosion, managing water flow, stabilizing steep slopes, and trapping sediment.
2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describes the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits. Plans and specifications shall be developed in accordance with the requirements of conservation practice standard Vegetative Barrier (Code 601).
3. Operation and maintenance plan
4. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations
  - a. Signed Legal Responsibilities Certification Form if requested by NRCS
5. Design modifications during installation as required

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**INSTALLATION****Deliverables**

1. Pre-application conference with client
2. Verification that client has obtained required permits
3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes
4. Species inspection
5. Installation assistance as needed
6. Application guidance as needed
7. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer
8. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during installation
9. Certification that the application process and materials meets design and permit requirements

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**CHECK OUT****Deliverables**

1. Records of application
  - a. Extent of practice units applied
  - b. Actual materials used
  - c. Actual spacings
2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits
  - a. Signed Legal Responsibilities Certification Form if requested by NRCS
3. Progress reporting
  - a. Provide NRCS copy of reporting print screen if requested

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4. Sign hard-copy of Form CCC-1245 if requested by NRCS

**REFERENCES**

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- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard – Vegetative Barrier – 601
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook